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DEPOTEINIZING BODY FLUIDS

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January 2, 2004

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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated July 1, 2003, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested; the period for response having been extended up to and including January 2, 2004, by submission of the requisite petition and fee, attached.

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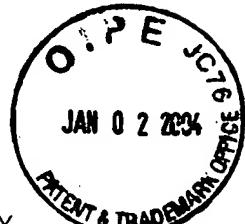
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This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

 Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.**Fees are attached as calculated below:**

Total effective claims after amendment	25	minus highest number			
previously paid for	26	(at least 20) =	0 x \$ 18.00		\$ 0.00
Independent claims after amendment	3	minus highest number			
previously paid for	3	(at least 3) =	0 x \$ 86.00		\$ 0.00
If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$290.00 (ignore improper)					\$ 0.00
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$420.00/2 months; \$950.00/3 months)					\$ 950.00
Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00					\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$770.00)					\$ 0.00
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